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<b>(54) Title:</b> HIGH LEVEL EXPRESSION OF PROTEINS  <b>(57) Abstract</b>  The invention features a synthetic gene encoding a protein normally expressed in a mammalian cell wherein at least one non-preferred or less preferred codon in the natural gene encoding the protein has been replaced by a preferred codon encoding the same amino acid.		

	Leu	CTG	118.00	81.21	0.94
	Leu	CTA	3.00	2.06	0.02
	Leu	CTT	1.00	0.69	0.01
5	Leu	CTC	3.00	2.06	0.02
	Pro	CCG	4.00	2.75	0.05
	Pro	CCA	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Pro	CCT	3.00	2.06	0.04
10	Pro	CCC	68.00	46.80	0.91

TABLE 4: Codon Frequency Table of the Native Factor  
VIII B Domain Deleted Gene

15	AA	Codon	Number	/1000	Fraction
	Gly	GGG	12.00	8.26	0.15
	Gly	GGA	34.00	23.40	0.41
	Gly	GGT	16.00	11.01	0.20
20	Gly	GGC	20.00	13.76	0.24
	Glu	GAG	33.00	22.71	0.39
	Glu	GAA	51.00	35.10	0.61
	Asp	GAT	55.00	37.85	0.67
25	Asp	GAC	27.00	18.58	0.33
	Val	GTG	29.00	19.96	0.33
	Val	GTA	19.00	13.08	0.22
	Val	GTT	17.00	11.70	0.19
30	Val	GTC	23.00	15.83	0.26
	Ala	GCG	2.00	1.38	0.03
	Ala	GCA	18.00	12.39	0.25
	Ala	GCT	31.00	21.34	0.44
35	Ala	GCC	20.00	13.76	0.28

	Arg	AGG	18.00	12.39	0.25
	Arg	AGA	22.00	15.14	0.30
	Ser	AGT	22.00	15.14	0.18
	Ser	AGC	24.00	16.52	0.20
5					
	Lys	AAG	32.00	22.02	0.40
	Lys	AAA	48.00	33.04	0.60
	Asn	AAT	38.00	26.15	0.60
	Asn	AAC	25.00	17.21	0.40
10					
	Met	ATG	43.00	29.59	1.00
	Ile	ATA	13.00	8.95	0.18
	Ile	ATT	36.00	24.78	0.49
	Ile	ATC	25.00	17.21	0.34
15					
	Thr	ACG	1.00	0.69	0.01
	Thr	ACA	23.00	15.83	0.28
	Thr	ACT	36.00	24.78	0.43
	Thr	ACC	23.00	15.83	0.28
20					
	Trp	TGG	28.00	19.27	1.00
	End	TGA	1.00	0.69	1.00
	Cys	TGT	7.00	4.82	0.37
	Cys	TGC	12.00	8.26	0.63
25					
	End	TAG	0.00	0.00	0.00
	End	TAA	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Tyr	TAT	41.00	28.22	0.60
	Tyr	TAC	27.00	18.58	0.40
30					
	Leu	TTG	20.00	13.76	0.16
	Leu	TTA	10.00	6.88	0.08
	Phe	TTT	45.00	30.97	0.58
	Phe	TTC	32.00	22.02	0.42
35					
	Ser	TCG	2.00	1.38	0.02
	Ser	TCA	27.00	18.58	0.22
	Ser	TCT	27.00	18.58	0.22
	Ser	TCC	18.00	12.39	0.15
40					

	Arg	CGG	6.00	4.13	0.08
	Arg	CGA	10.00	6.88	0.14
	Arg	CGT	7.00	4.82	0.10
	Arg	CGC	10.00	6.88	0.14
5	Gln	CAG	42.00	28.91	0.63
	Gln	CAA	25.00	17.21	0.37
	His	CAT	28.00	19.27	0.55
	His	CAC	23.00	15.83	0.45
10	Leu	CTG	36.00	24.78	0.29
	Leu	CTA	15.00	10.32	0.12
	Leu	CTT	24.00	16.52	0.19
	Leu	CTC	20.00	13.76	0.16
15	Pro	CCG	1.00	0.69	0.01
	Pro	CCA	32.00	22.02	0.43
	Pro	CCT	26.00	17.89	0.35
	Pro	CCC	15.00	10.32	0.20
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### Use

The synthetic genes of the invention are useful for expressing the a protein normally expressed in mammalian cells in cell culture (e.g. for commercial production of human proteins such as hGH, TPA, Factor VIII, and Factor IX). The synthetic genes of the invention are also useful for gene therapy. For example, a synthetic gene encoding a selected protein can be introduced in to a cell which can express the protein to create a cell which can be administered to a patient in need of the protein. Such cell-based gene therapy techniques are well known to those skilled in the art, see, e.g., Anderson, et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,399,349; Mulligan and Wilson, U.S. Patent No. 5,460,959.

What is claimed is:

1. A synthetic gene encoding a protein normally expressed in an eukaryotic cell wherein at least one non-preferred or less preferred codon in a natural gene encoding said protein has been replaced by a preferred codon encoding the same amino acid, said synthetic gene being capable of expressing  
5 said protein at a level which is at least 110% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* mammalian cell culture system under identical conditions.

2. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said synthetic gene is capable of expressing said protein at a level which is at least 150% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* cell culture system under identical  
10 conditions.

3. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said synthetic gene is capable of expressing said protein at a level which is at least 200% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* cell culture system under identical conditions.

15 4. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said synthetic gene is capable of expressing said protein at a level which is at least 500% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* cell culture system under identical conditions.

5. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said synthetic gene  
20 comprises fewer than 5 occurrences of the sequence CG.

6. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein at least 10% of the codons in said natural gene are non-preferred codons.

7. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein at least 50% of the codons in said natural gene are non-preferred codons.

8. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein at least 50% of the non-preferred codons and less preferred codons present in said natural gene have  
5 been replaced by preferred codons.

9. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein at least 90% of the non-preferred codons and less preferred codons present in said natural gene have been replaced by preferred codons.

10. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said protein is normally  
10 expressed by a mammalian cell.

11. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said protein is a retroviral protein.

12. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said protein is a lentiviral protein.

13. The synthetic gene of claim 11 wherein said protein is an HIV  
15 protein.

14. The synthetic gene of claim 13 wherein said protein is selected from the group consisting of gag, pol, and env.

15. The synthetic gene of claim 13 wherein said protein is gp120.

16. The synthetic gene of claim 13 wherein said protein is gp160.
17. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said protein is a human protein.
18. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said human protein is  
5 Factor VIII.
19. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein 20% of the codons are preferred codons.
20. The synthetic gene of claim 18 wherein said gene has the coding sequence present in SEQ ID NO:42.
- 10 21. The synthetic gene of claim 1 wherein said protein is green fluorescent protein.
22. The synthetic gene of claim 20 wherein said synthetic gene is capable of expressing said green fluorescent protein at a level which is at least 200% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* mammalian cell  
15 culture system under identical conditions.
23. The synthetic gene of claim 20 wherein said synthetic gene is capable of expressing said green fluorescent protein at a level which is at least 1000% of that expressed by said natural gene in an *in vitro* mammalian cell culture system under identical conditions.

24. The synthetic gene of claim 21 having the sequence depicted in Figure 11 (SEQ ID NO:40).

25. An expression vector comprising the synthetic gene of claim 1.

5           26. The expression vector of claim 21, said expression vector being a mammalian expression vector.

27. A mammalian cell harboring with the synthetic gene of claim 1.

10           28. A method for preparing a synthetic gene encoding a protein normally expressed by mammalian cells, comprising identifying non-preferred and less-preferred codons in the natural gene encoding said protein and replacing one or more of said non-preferred and less-preferred codons with a preferred codon encoding the same amino acid as the replaced codon.



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1 CTGGAGATCC ATTGTGCTCT AAAGGAGATA CCCGCCCAGA CACCCTCACC  
51 TGGGGTGGCC AGCTGCCCAG GCTGAGGCAA GAGAAGGCCA GAAACCATGC  
101 CCATGGGGTC TGTGCAACCG CTGGCCACCT TGTACCTGCT GGGGATGCTG  
151 GTGGCTTCCG TGCTAGCCAC CGAGAAGCTG TGGGTGACCG TGTACTACGG  
201 CGTGCCCGTG TGAAGGAGG CCACCACCAC CCTGTTCTGC GCCAGCGACG  
251 CCAAGGCGTA CGACACCGAG GTGCACAACG TGTGGGCCAC CCAGGCGTGC  
301 GTGCCACCG ACGCCAACCC CCAGSAGGTG GAGCTCGTGA ACGTGACCGA  
351 GAACTTCAAC ATGTGGAAGA ACAACATGCT GGAGCAGATG CATGAGGACA  
401 TCATCAGCCT GTGGGACCAG AGCCTGAAGC CCTGCGTGAA GCTGACCCCC  
451 CTGTGCGTGA CCGTGAACG CACCGACCTG AGGAACACCA CCAACACCAA  
501 CAACAGCACC GCGAACAACA ACAGCAACAG CGAGGGCACC ATCAAGGGCG  
551 GCGAGATGAA CAACTGCAGC TTCAACATCA CCACCAGCAT CCGCGACAAG  
601 ATSCAGAAGG ASTACGCCCT GCTGTACAAG CTGGATATCG TGAGCATCGA  
651 CAACGACAGC ACCAGCTACC GCCTGATCTC CTGCAACACC AGCGTGATCA  
701 CCCAGGCCTG GCGCAAGATC AGCTTCGAGC CCATCCCCAT CCACTACTGC  
751 GCGCCCGCCG GCTTCGCCAT CCTGAAGTGC AACGACAAGA AGTTCAGCGG  
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851 GCGCGGTGGT GAGCACCCAG CTCCTGCTGA ACGGCAGCCT GCGCGAGGAG  
901 GAGGTGGTGA TCCGCAGCGA GAACTTCACC GACAACGCCA AGACCATCAT  
951 CGTGCACCTG AATGAGAGCG TGCAGATCAA CTGCACCGCT CCCAACTACA  
1001 ACAAGCGCAA GCGCATCCAC ATCGGCCCCG GCGCGCGCTT CTACACCACC  
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1101 CAAGTGGAAC GACACCCTGC GCCAGATCGT GAGCAAGCTG AAGGAGCAGT  
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1201 ATCGTGATGC ACAGCTTCAA CTGCGGGCGG GAATTCTTCT ACTGCAACAC  
1251 CAGCCCCCTG TTCAACAGCA CCTGGAACCG CAACAACACC TGAACAACA  
1301 CCACCGGCAG CAACAACAAT ATTACCCTCC AGTGCAAGAT CAAGCAGATC  
1351 ATCAACATGT CGCAGSAGGT GGGCAAGGCC ATGTACGCCC CCCCCATCGA  
1401 GCGCCAGATC CCGTGCAGCA GCAACATCAC CGGTCTGCTG CTGACCCCGG  
1451 ACGCGGGCAA CGACACCGAC ACCAACGACA CCGAAATCTT CCGCCCCGGC

FIG 1  
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1501 GGGGGCGACA TGGCGGACAA CTGGAGATCT GAGCTGTACA AGTACAAGGT  
1551 GGTGACGATC GAGCCCCCTGG GCGTGGCCCC CACCAAGGCC AAGCGCCGCG  
1601 TGGTCCAGCG CGAGAAGCGC TAAAGCGGCC GC (SEQ ID NO:34)

FIG 1  
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1  ACCGAGAAGC TGTGGGTGAC CSTGTACTAC GCGGTGCCCC TGTGGAAGGA
51  GCGCACCAAC ACCCTGTTCT GCGCCAGCGA GCGCAAGGCG TACGACACCG
101 AUGTGACAAA CSTGTGSSCC ACCCAGGCGT GCGTGCCCAAC CGACCCCAAC
151 GCGCAGGAGG TGGAGCTCCT GAACGTGACC GAGAACTTCA ACATGTGGAA
201 GAACAACATG CTGGAGCAGA TGCATGAGGA CATCATCAGC CTGTGGGACC
251 AGAGCCTGAA GCGCTGCGTG AAGCTGACCC CCGTGTGCGT GACCCCTCAAC
301 TGGACCGAGC TGAGGAACAC CACCAACACC AACAAACAGCA CCGCCCAACAA
351 CAACACCAAC AGCGAGGGCA CCATCAAGGG CGGCCAGATG AAGAAGTCCA
401 GTTCAACAT CACCAACAGC ATCCCGGACA AGATCCAGAA GGAATACGCC
451 CTGCTGTACA AGCTGGATAT CGTGAGCATC CACAACGACA GCACAGCTA
501 CCGCCTGATC TCGTCAACA CCGCGGTGAT CACCGAGGCC TCGCCCAAGA
551 TCAGCTTCCA GCGCATCCGC ATCCACTACT GCGCCCCCGC CGGCTTCGCC
601 ATCTGAAGT GCAACGACAA GAAGTTCAGC GCGAAGGGCA GGTGCAAGAA
651 CGTGACCAAC CTGCAATCCA CCGACGGCAT CCGGCGCGTG GTGAGCAACC
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851 ACATCGGCCC CGGCGCGCGC TTCTACACCA CCAAGAACAT CATCGGCACC
901 ATCCGCGAGC CCGACTGCAA CATCTCTAGA GCGAAGTGGA ACGACACCCT
951 CCGCCAGATC GTGAGCAAGC TGAAGGAGCA GTTCAAGAAC AAGACCATCG
1001 TTTTCAACCA GAGCAGCGGC GCGGACCCCG AGATCGTGAT GCACAGCTTC
1051 AACTGCGGCG GCGAATTCTT CTACTGCAAC ACCAGCCCCC TGTTCACAG
1101 CACCTGGAAC GCGAACAACA CCGGAAACA CACCAACCGC ACCAACAACA
1151 ATATTACCCT CCAGTGCAAG ATCAAGCAGA TCATCAACAT GTGGCAGGAG
1201 GTGGGCAAGG CCATGTACCC CCCCCCATC GAGGGCCAGA TCGGTGACG
1251 CAGCAACATC ACCGCTGTGC TCGTGACCCG CGACGCGCGC AAGGACACCG
1301 ACACCAACCA CACCGAAATC TCGCGCCCG GCGCGCGCGA CATCGCGAC
1351 AACTCGAGAT CTGAGCTGTA CAAGTACAAG GTGGTGACGA TCGAGCCCCT
1401 CCGCTGCGCC CCGACCAAGG GCAAGCGCGC CGTGGTGACG CCGGAGAAGC

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FIG. 1  
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1451 GGGCCGCCAT CCGCCCCCTG TTCCTGGGCT TCCTGGGGCC GCGGGGCAGC  
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1551 GAGCGGCATC GTGCAGCAGC AGAACAACTT CCTCCGCGCC ATCGAGGCCC  
1601 AGCAGCATAT GTTCCAGCTC ACCGTGTGGG GCATCAAGCA GCTCCAGGCC  
1651 CCGGTGCTGG CCGTGGAGCG CTACCTGAAG GACCAGCAGC TCCTGGGCTT  
1701 CTGGGGCTGC TCGGGCAAGC TGATCTGCAC CACACCGGTA CCCTGGAACC  
1751 CCTCCTGGAG CAACAAGAGC CTGGACGACA TCTGGAACAA CATGACCTGG  
1801 ATGCAGTGGG AGCCCGAGAT CGATAACTAC ACCAGCCTGA TCTACAGCCT  
1851 GCTGGAGAAG AGCCAGACCC AGCAGGAGAA GAACGAGCAG GAGCTGCTGG  
1901 AGCTGGACAA CTGGGCGAGC CTGTGGAAC TGTTCGACAT CACCAACTGG  
1951 CTGTGGTACA TAAAAATCTT CATCATGATT GTGGGCGGCC TGGTGGGCTT  
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2051 ACAGCCCCCT GAGCTCCAG ACCCGGCCCC CCGTGGCCCG CCGGCCCCGAC  
2101 CGCCCGGAGG CATCCAGGA GGAGGGCGCC GAGCGCGACC GCGACACCAG  
2151 CCGCAGGCTC GTGCAGGCT TCCTGGCGAT CATCTGGGTG GACCTCCGCA  
2201 GCCTGTTCTT GTTCAGCTAC CACCACCGCG ACCTGCTGCT GATCGCCGCC  
2251 CGCATCGTGG AACTCCTAGG CCGCCGCGGC TGGGAGGTGC TGAAGTACTG  
2301 GTGGAACCTC CTCCAGTATT GGAGCCAGGA GCTGAAGTCC AGCGCCGTGA  
2351 GCCTGCTGAA CGCCACCGCC ATCGCCGTGG CCGAGGGCAC CGACCGCGTG  
2401 ATCGAGGTGC TCCAGAGGGC CCGAGGGCG ATCCTGCACA TCCCCACCGC  
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FIG. 1  
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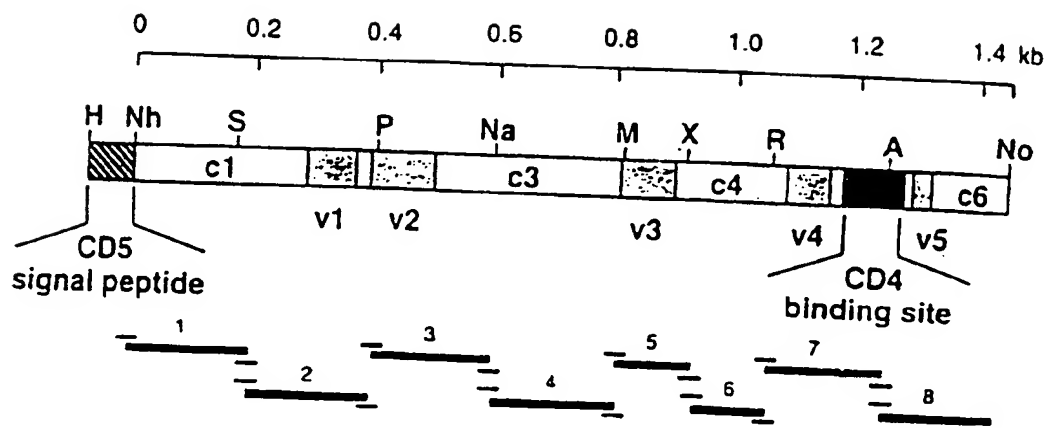


FIGURE 2

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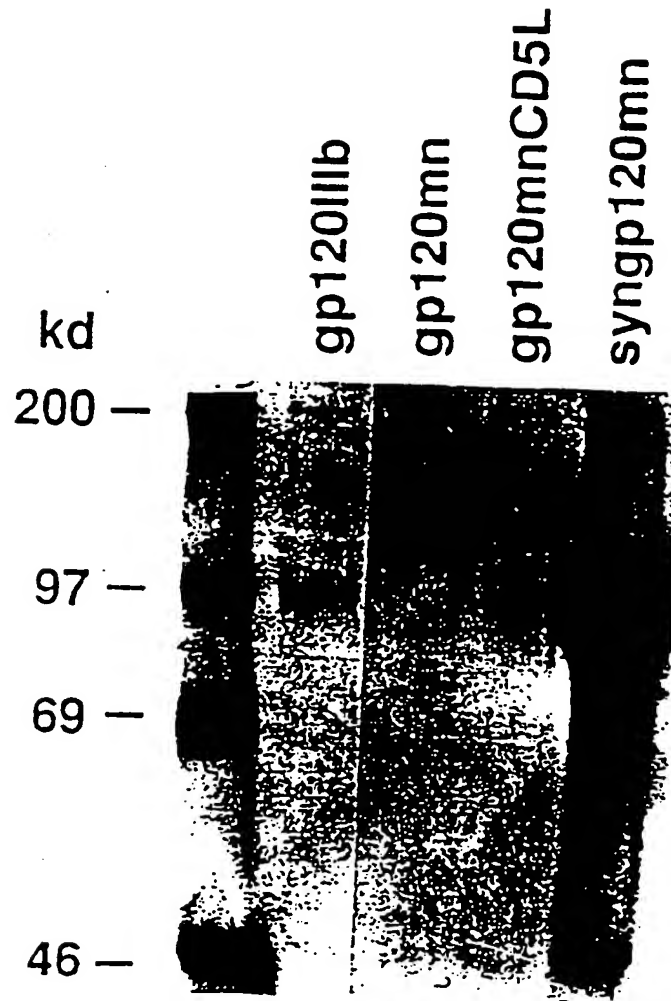


FIGURE 3

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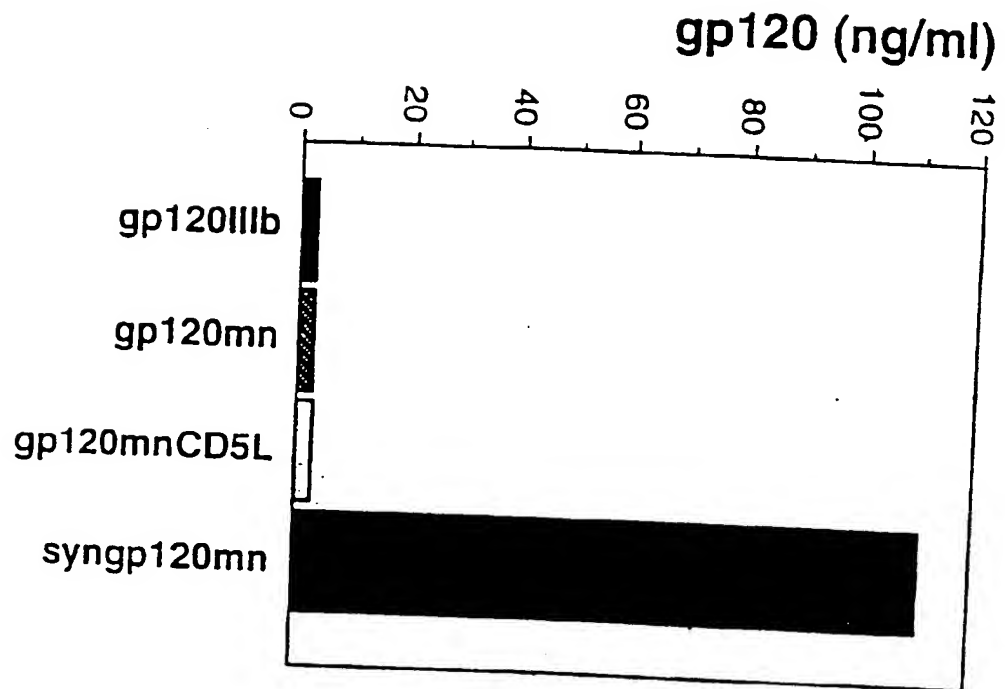


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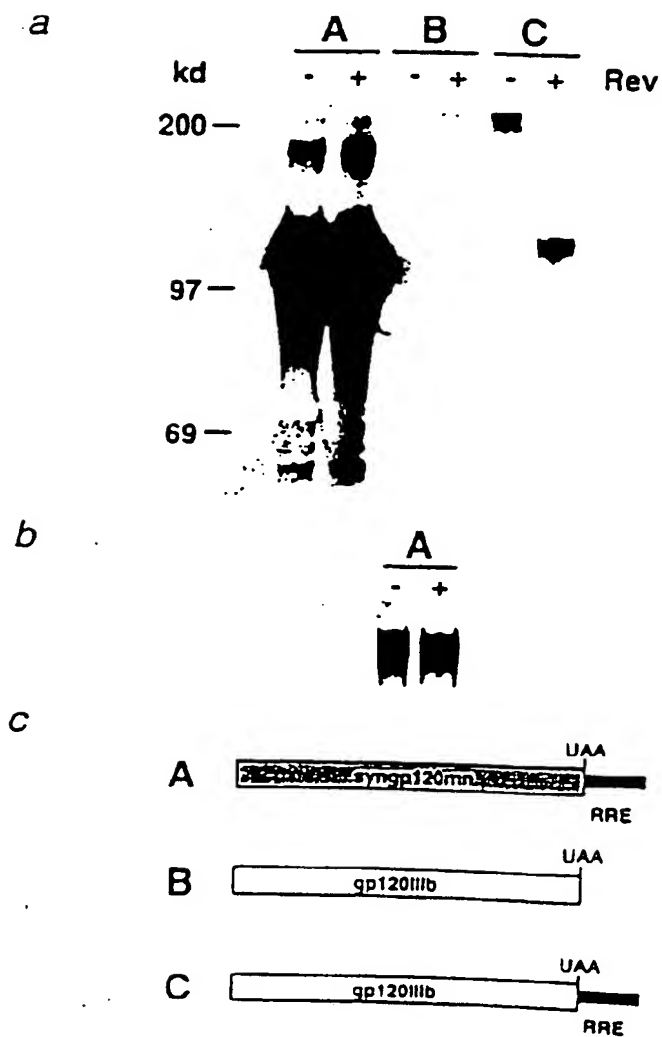


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**FIGURE 6**

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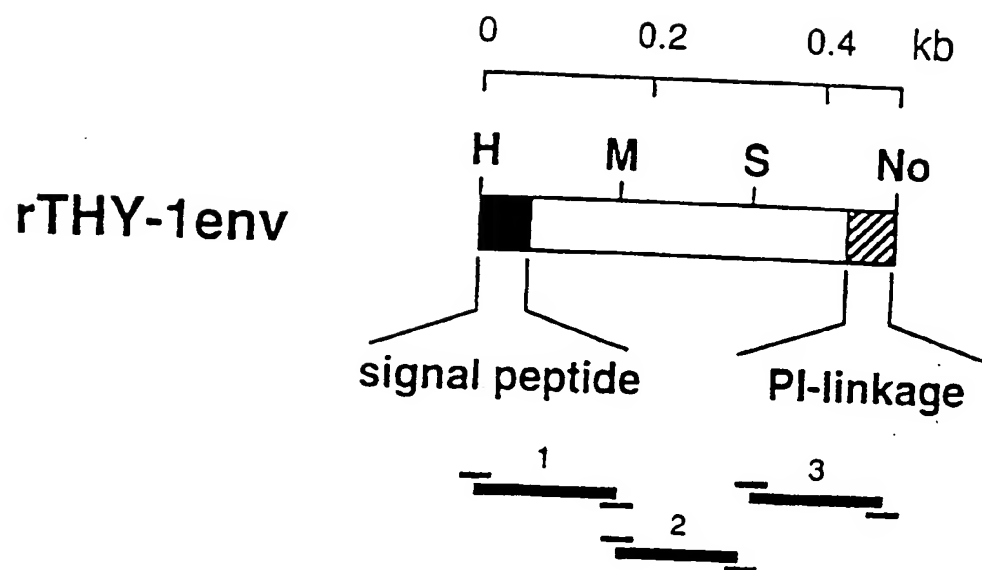


FIGURE 7

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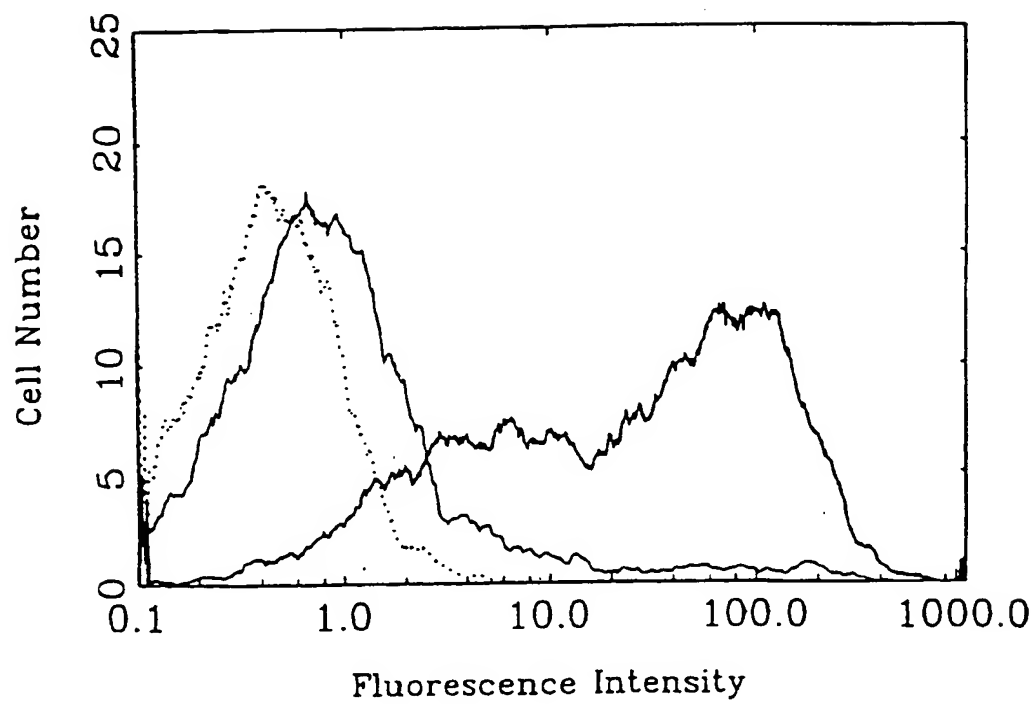


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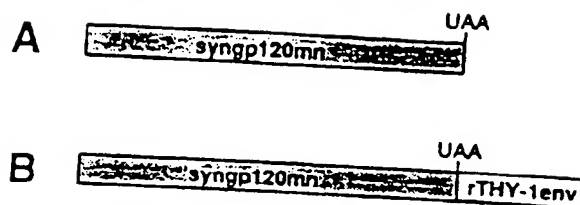
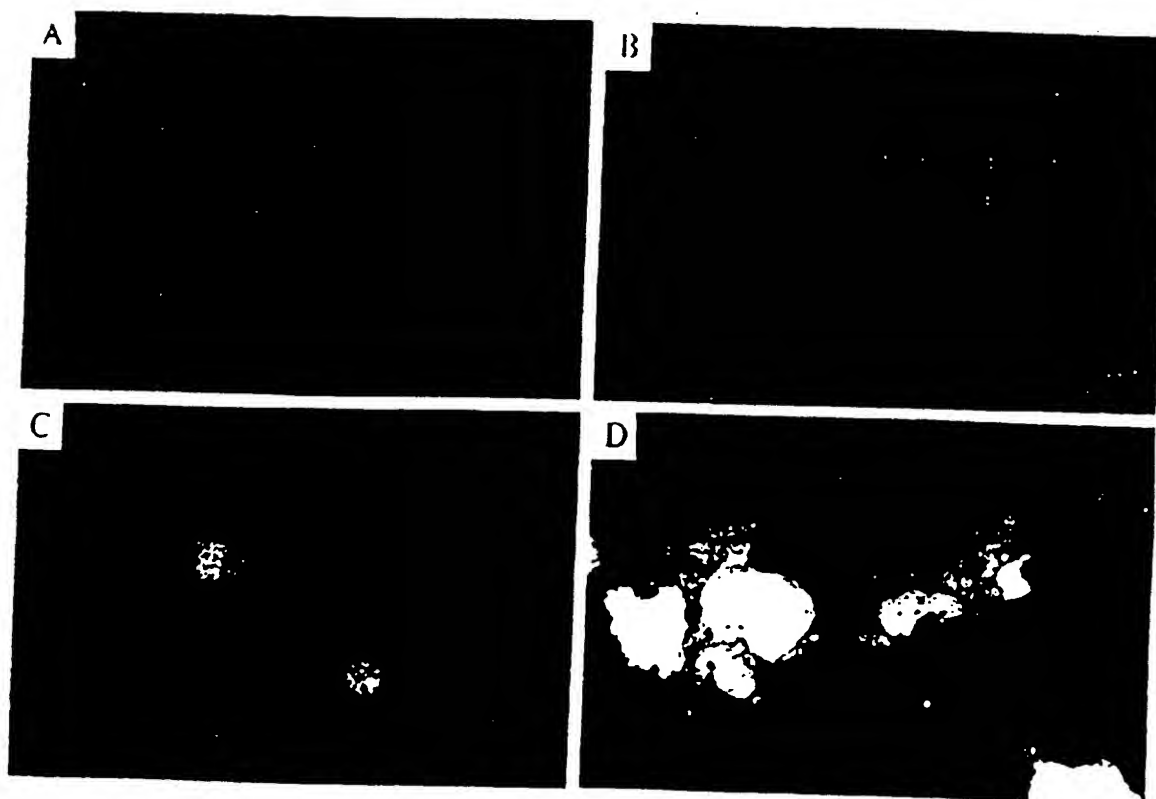
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FIGURE 9

FIG. 10



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1 GAATTCACGC GTAAGCTTGC CGCCACCATG GTGAGCAAGG GCGAGGAGCT  
51 GTTACACGGG GTGGTGCCCA TCCTGGTCGA GCTGGACGGC GACGTGAACG  
101 GCCACAAGTT CAGCGTGTCC GGCAGGGGCG AGGGCGATGC CACCTACGGC  
151 AAGCTGACCC TGAAGTTCAT CTGCACCACC GGCAAGCTGC CCGTGCCCTG  
201 GCCCACCCTC GTGACCACCT TCAGCTACGG CGTGCACTGC TTCAGCCGCT  
251 ACCCCGACCA CATGAAGCAG CACGACTTCT TCAAGTCCGC CATGCCCCGAA  
301 GGCTACGTCC AGGAGCGCAC CATCTTCTTC AAGGACGACG GCAACTACAA  
351 GACCCGCGCC GAGGTGAAGT TCGAGGGCGA CACCCTGGTG AACCGCATCG  
401 AGCTGAAGGG CATCGACTTC AAGGAGGACG GCAACATCCT GGGGCACAAG  
451 CTGGAGTACA ACTACAACAG CCACAACGTC TATATCATGG CCGACAAGCA  
501 GAAGAACGGC ATCAAGGTGA ACTTCAAGAT CCGCCACAAC ATCGAGGACG  
551 GCAGCGTGCA GCTCGCCGAC CACTACCAGC AGAACACCCC CATCGGCGAC  
601 GGCCCCGTGC TGCTGCCCGA CAACCACTAC CTGAGCACCC AGTCCGCCCT  
651 GAGCAAAGAC CCCAACGAGA AGCGCGATCA CATGGTCCTG CTGGAGTTCT  
701 TGACCGCCGC CGGGATCACT CACGGCATGG ACGAGCTGTA CAAGTAAAGC  
751 GGCCGCGGAT CC (SEQ ID NO: 40)

FIG. 11

Native Factor VIII B domain deleted gene segment inserted in the expression vector

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1   AAGCTTAAAC CATGCCCATG GGGTCTCTGC AACCGCTGGC CACCTTGTA
51  CTGCTGGGGA TGCTGGTCCG TTCCGTGCTA GCCGCCACCA GAAGATACTA
101 CCTGGGTCCA GTGGAACGTG CATGGGACTA TATGCAAAGT GATCTCGGTG
151 AGCTGCCTGT GGACGCAAGA TTTCCTCCTA GAGTGCCAAA ATCTTTTCCA
201 TTCAACACCT CAGTCGTGTA CAAAAGACT CTGTTGTAG AATTACGGGA
251 TCACCTTTTC AACATCGCTA AGCCAAGGCC ACCCTGGATG GGTCTGCTAG
301 GTCCTACCAT CCAGGCTGAG GTTTATCATA CAGTGGTCAT TACACTTAAG
351 AACATGGCTT CCCATCCTGT CAGTCTTCAT GCTGTTGGTG TATCCTACTG
401 GAAAGCTTCT GAGGGAGCTG AATATGATGA TCAGACCACT CAAAGGGAGA
451 AAGAAGATGA TAAAGTCTTC CCTGGTGGAA GCCATACATA TGTCTGGCAG
501 GTCCTGAAAG AGAATGGTCC AATGGCCTCT GACCCACTGT GCCTTACCTA
551 CTCATATCTT TCTCATGTGG ACCTGGTAAA AGACTTGAAT TCAGGCTCTA
601 TTGGAGCCCT ACTAGTATGT AGAGAAGGGA GTCTGGCCAA GGAAAAGACA
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751 CATCTGCTCG GGCCTGGCCT AAAATGCACA CAGTCAATGG TTATGTAAC
801 AGGTCTCTGC CAGGTCTGAT TGGATGCCAC AGGAAATCAG TCTATTGGCA
851 TGTGATTGGA ATGGGCACCA CTCCTGAAGT GCACTCAATA TTCCTCGAAG
901 GTCACACATT TCTTGTGAGG AACCATCGCC AGGCGTCCTT GGAAATCTCG
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1001 TCTACTGTTT TGTATATCT CTTCACCA CAATGATGGC ATGGAAGCTT
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1751 AGAATCTGTA GATCAAAGAG GAAACCAGAT AATGTCAGAC AAGAGGAATG
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Synthetic Factor VIII B domain deleted gene segment inserted in the expression vector

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